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November 7th, 1848.

Vice President MORTON in the Chair.

Letters were read :

From Dr. Charles Nicholson, dated Sydney, New South Wales, April 5th, 1848, acknowledging the receipt of his notice of election as a correspondent, and announcing that he had forwarded for the Academy, collections of Shells, Insects, and other objects of natural history of that country.

From Prof. Th. Lacordaire, of Liege, dated April, 1848, accompanying a copy of his recent work, "*Monographie des Coléoptères subpentamères de la famille des Phytophages*," in two vols. 8vo., for which he desired in exchange a copy of the Proceedings of the Academy, which was accordingly ordered.

By permission of the Society, a report was read from the Committee on Mr. Pease's paper on the Geology and Natural History of Mexico, recommending the same for publication in the September and October No. of the Proceedings, which was adopted.

November 14th, 1848.

Vice President MORTON in the Chair.

Letters were read from Hugh E. Strickland, Esq., dated Oxford, England, October 26, 1848, and from Edward Tuckerman, Esq., dated Cambridge, Mass., November 10, 1848, severally acknowledging the receipt of their notices of election as Correspondents.

Dr. Gambel called the attention of the Society to a fine collection of Skins of Quadrupeds, collected by Dr. John K. Townsend during his late tour to the Rocky Mountains, Sandwich Islands, &c., which the latter offered to dispose of to the Academy. On motion the subject was referred to the Curators.

Dr. Morton exhibited an antique silver image from Peru, sent to him by William A. Foster, Esq., of Lima, the head of which was moulded into the remarkable conical form, characteristic of the crania of the people of that country.

Dr. Morton also stated that he had received information of the discovery of the *Megalosaurus* in the cretaceous formations of New Jersey.

November 21st, 1848.

Dr. BRIDGES in the Chair.

A letter was read from Dr. Thomas Horsfield, dated Library of East India Company, London, November 2, 1848, acknowledging the receipt of a copy of the Journal of the Academy, and stating that the